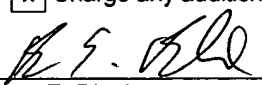


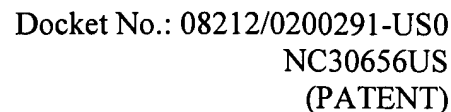




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Invention: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR WIRELESSLY MANAGING THE OPERATION OF A NETWORK APPLIANCE OVER A LIMITED DISTANCE				
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## RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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## REMARKS

This is a response to the Office Action dated March 23, 2005.

## §103 Rejections

Claims 1, 3-10, 12,-15, and 17-21 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,857,021 to Schuster et al. (“Schuster”) in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,021,324 to Sizer, II et al. (“Sizer”) and U.S. Patent No. 6,542,740 to Olgaard et al. (“Olgaard”). Claims 2, 11, and 16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Schuster in view of Sizer and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,167,253 to Farris et al. (“Farris”). The Applicants traverse these rejections.